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GERMAN SHORTAGES TO BE RELIEVED BY THE DUTCH ECONOMY

Confiscation of cable for the German Navy (May 1940): With respect to the great need for cable of the German Navy for its priority shipbuilding program, the stocks of cable located in Holland, especially in the shipyards, are to be confiscated and secured. Especially needed is rubber-coated, single-strand cable with a minimum cross section of 100 square millimeters up to 300 square millimeters.

Needs of the German railroads (May 1940): In view of the critical transportation situation and especially the need of the German railroads to make available more transportation, the production of wheel and axle sets, buffers, brake parts, etc., of the Dutch railroad car and locomotive plants is to be set aside for use by the German railroads.

Nitrates (June 1940): The Sittard, IJmuiden, and Sluiskil nitrate plants have been inspected with a view towards measures enabling the maximum production of nitrates.

Crude oil and paraffin (June 1940) are to be transported to Germany, and a special search is being made for the latter.

Bitumen drums (10 July 1940): The delivery of bitumen to Dutch consumers, including the Inspector General for the German Highway System as well as the German Air Force, is to take place exclusively in tank-trucks. The empty drums are to be used for the Reich. Empty drums in refineries, etc., are to be secured for the Reich.

Bitumen: At the end of June 1940, a quantity of 2,800 tons of bitumen had been shipped to Germany. More requests for shipment of bitumen to Germany have been made, but a reply by the German authorities in Holland on 6 August 1940 points out that the following supply situation makes further delay impossible:

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Stocks of bitumen on hand		15,109 tons
Less Air Force needs	7,500 tons	
Less new requests by Air Force for runway camouflage mixtures	10,000 tons	
Less highway repair	<u>5,000 tons</u>	<u>13,500 tons</u>
Minimum reserve		1,609 tons

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REPORT ON LOCATED STOCKS OF RAW MATERIALS IN HOLLANDAS OF 30 JULY 1940

Iron and steel scrap	163,441 tons
Nickel	42 "
Copper	13,000 "
Copper alloys	6,834 "
Lead	11,635 "
Zinc	9,428 "
Tin	3,000 "
Tin solder	250 "
Aluminum	579 "
Rubber	4,000 "
Industrial oils and fats	219,153 "
Glycerine, crude	698 "
Glycerine, distilled	538 "
Industrial diamonds	8,760 carats
Diamond bort	65,980 "
Diamond dust	23,180 "
Automobile gasoline	208,700 tons
Aviation gasoline	47,000 "
Automobile diesel fuel	115,000 "
Fuel oil	44,000 "
Unclassified fuels	135,000 "

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Wool	10,000 tons
Cotton	30,000 "

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REPORT OF RAW MATERIALS SHIPPED FROM HOLLAND TO GERMANY AS OF END 1940

Iron and steel scrap	68,000 tons
Cast iron scrap	12,300 "
Scrap metal	3,200 "
Copper	200 "
Lead	25 "
Tin	1,600 "
Nickel	21 "
Aluminum	225 "
Crude rubber	1,600 "
Rape	6,600 "
Wool	5,250 "
Cotton	4,700 "
Hemp	2,400 "
Hides	6,800 "
Tires (motor vehicle)	31,000 tires
Aviation gasoline	50,000 tons
Carburetor fuels (Vergaserkraftstoffe)	88,000 "
Gas oil	10,000 "

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